



Increasing Immunization Coverage: The Role of the PHN



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Mission:

Protect and improve the health of Alaskans through partnering with individuals, communities and systems, while championing self-reliance, dignity and cultural integrity.



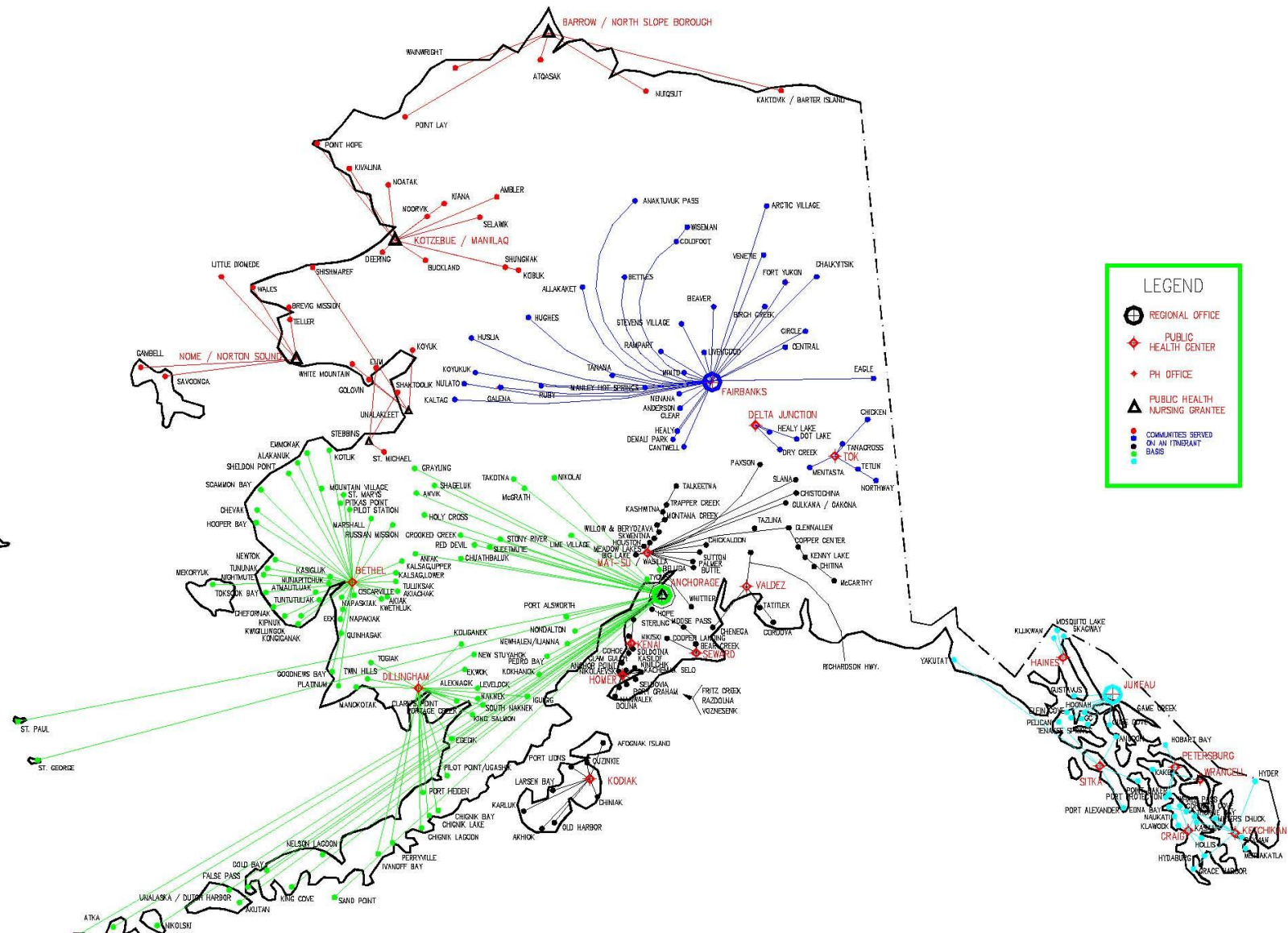
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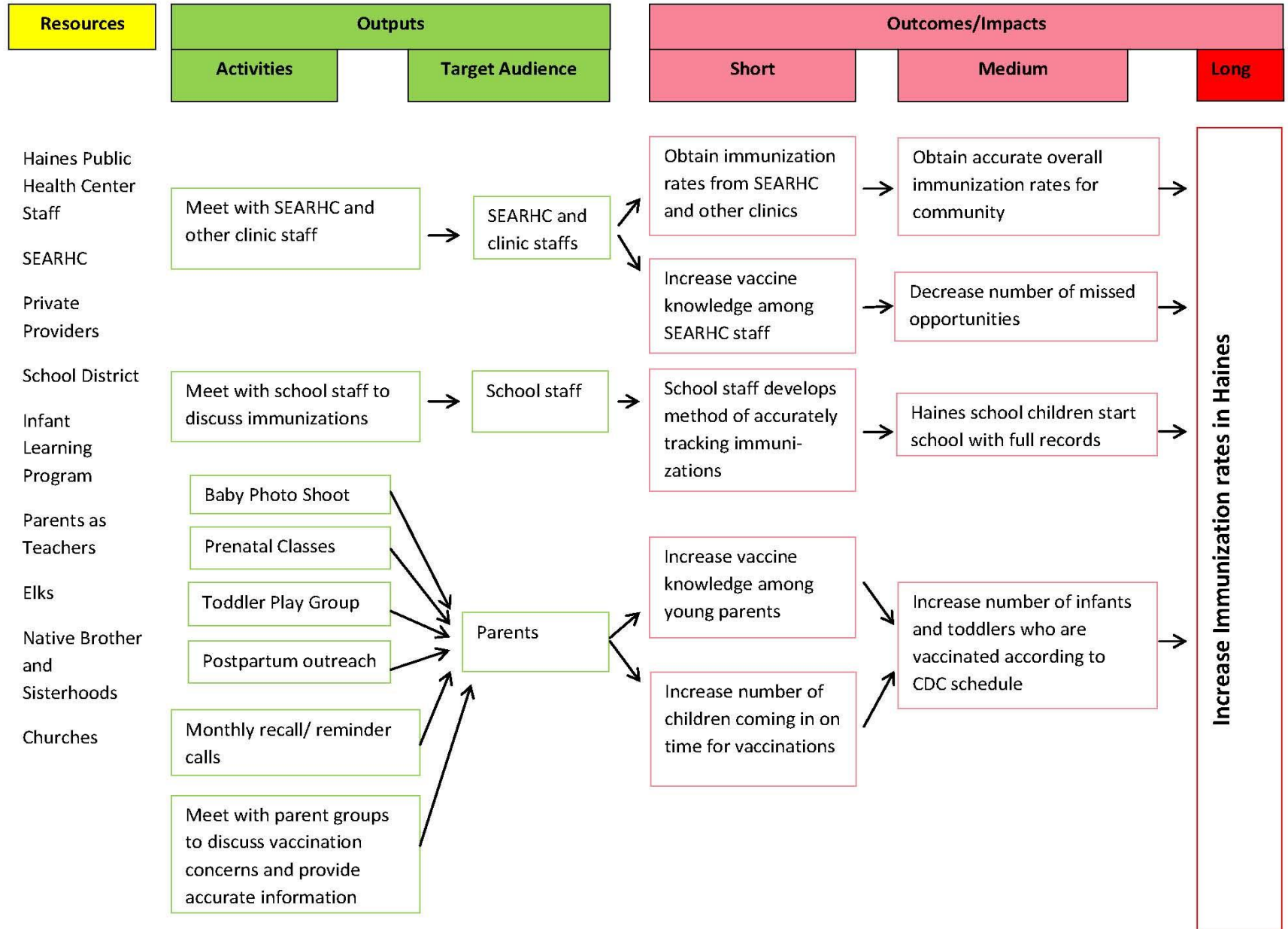


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Haines Immunization Logic Model





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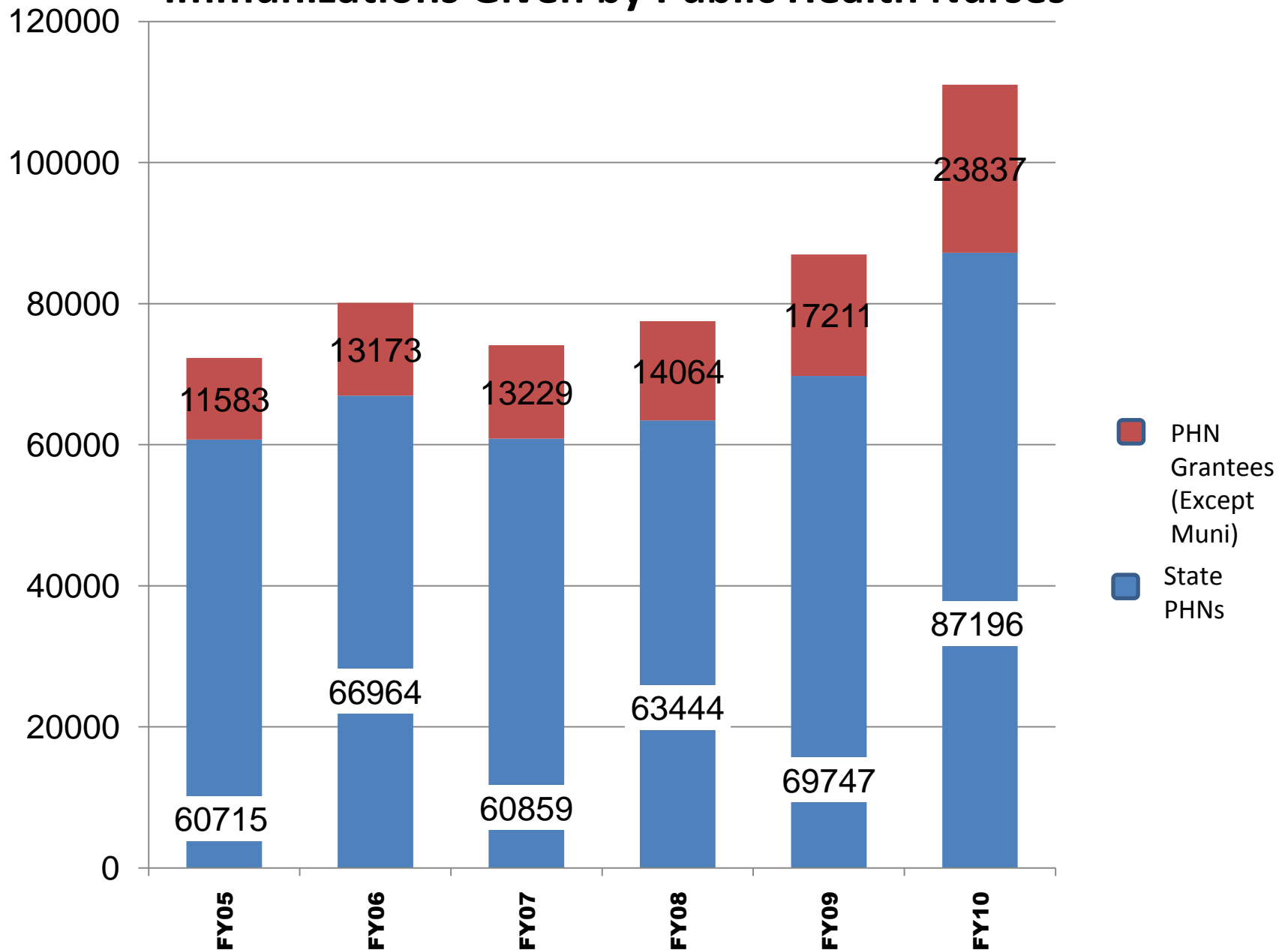
PHN ROLE with Individuals and Families

- ❖ Provide accurate information about the safety and efficacy of vaccines
- ❖ Link to medical home for ongoing healthcare
- ❖ Administer vaccines to those with barriers to access

Systems



Immunizations Given by Public Health Nurses





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PHN ROLE with Communities:

- ❖ Monitor community immunization status & assist in removing immunization barriers
- ❖ Initiate / participate in Vaccine Coalitions
- ❖ Serve as resource & consultant for local healthcare providers concerning immunization issues

Alaska SHOTS Survey



- 1. Concerns About Shots**
- 2. Importance of Shots**
- 3. Access to Shots**

Alaska SHOTS Survey

#1 Barrier to Immunization



Concerns about shots:

- **I worry about how safe shots are**
- **I worry about what is in the shots**
- **If something bad happened to my child after a shot, I would feel like it was my fault**



Individuals and Families



Communities

PHN ROLE with Systems:

- ❖ Consult with schools and childcare facilities to facilitate compliance with immunization regs
- ❖ Work with Tribal Health to train & support CHAs in administering vaccines
- ❖ Assist in monitoring vaccine transport & temp control systems

Systems



**Our Shared
Goal...**

**Healthy
Happy
Immunized
Children**

